



# UB Highlights

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News & Events for July 2012

## Physician Assistant Info

*Tuesday, July 10, 5:30 p.m.*

Students interested in the Master of Science in Physician Assistant program are invited to visit the Wahlstrom Library, 6th floor, to learn about the application process and program details. Register online at [www.bridgeport.edu/admissions/healthsciences](http://www.bridgeport.edu/admissions/healthsciences).



## IDEAL Info Sessions

*Wednesday, July 11, 6-7 p.m.*

Information will be offered on UB's popular adult degree-completion program at the Bridgeport (Wahlstrom Library, first floor, Discovery Pavilion), Waterbury (84 Progress Lane), and Stamford (5 Riverbend Drive) campuses. To register, or for more information, visit [www.bridgeport.edu/ideal](http://www.bridgeport.edu/ideal), or for Bridgeport and Stamford, call 203-576-4800, for Waterbury, call 203-597-9036.



## S.T.A.R. Program Event

*Sat., July 28, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.*

The Summer Transition Advisement and Registration program is being offered to new students, who will meet with academic advisors, register for classes early, finalize financial aid, and get acquainted with future friends and classmates. Register online for morning or afternoon sessions, or call 1-800-392-3582. To participate, students must submit a \$200 tuition deposit, health forms, and final official high school and/or college transcript before the date of the event.

## Personnel News

**Joe Tonelli**, director of the Wheeler Recreation Center and longtime member of the Purple Knights athletics staff, was named head baseball coach on May 31, replacing John Anquillare, who led the program for the last nine seasons.

**Ken Holmes**, dean of students, resigned his position at the University effective June 22 to pursue other opportunities. Assistant Dean **Edina Oestreicher** will serve as interim dean.

## You might have missed . . .

**April 19, 2012:** UB held its first-ever Software Development Job Fair, with more than 15 businesses registered, in the duPont Tower Room. More than 70 Engineering students attended.

**May 4, 2012:** The President announced that UB has been given NGO status from the United Nations, a recognition received by only a few other universities. In 1952 we hosted Dr. Ralph Bunche, Nobel laureate and Undersecretary-General of the UN, and Eleanor Roosevelt, U.S. Ambassador to the UN and chief of its Human Rights Commission, as Jacoby Lecturers, and since then scores of other United Nations officials have visited the campus. Last year we conferred an honorary doctorate on UB alumnus Hon. Ivan Barbalic, who was Bosnian-Herzegovnian ambassador to the UN.

## Graduate Info Sessions

For all events below, register at <http://www.bridgeport.edu/admissions/graduate/eventlisting.aspx>

*Wednesday, July 11, 6 p.m.*  
*Stamford Campus*

At 5 Riverbend Drive, Building 5, information on the following programs: MBA; M.S. Counseling, Human Resources; Education, M.S. and 6th Year.

*Tuesday, July 17, 6 p.m.*  
*Bridgeport Campus*

On 6th floor, Wahlstrom Library, information on the following programs: MBA; Counseling, M.S. and 6th Year; Design Management, M.P.S.; East Asian and Pacific Rim Studies, M.A.; Education, M.S., 6th Year, and Ed.D; Engineering, M.S. and Ph.D.; Global Development and Peace, M.A.; Global Media and Communication Studies, M.A.; Technology Management, M.S.

*Thursday, July 26, 6 p.m.*  
*Waterbury Campus*

At 84 Progress Lane, information on Education, M.S. and 6th Year programs.

# UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

## STUDENTS & ALUMNI

### ATHLETICS

**Sarah Santos**, a chiropractic student carrying a 3.79 GPA, on May 29 was named the 2011-12 East Coast Conference Women's Cross Country Scholar-Athlete of the Year.

### ENGINEERING

In the Graduate Student Poster Competition held April 30, the following awards were won:

First place: **Ashish Aphale**, "NMR Detection of Graphene Nanoribbon," with **Daniel Comman** and **Fahmeed Hyder** (Advisor: Prof. **Prabir Patra**)

Second Place: **Jennifer Cheng**, "Graphene and Amyloid Peptide Binding and Its Implications in Alzheimer's Disease," with **Ashish Aphale**, **Srinivas Bhosale**, **Isaac Macwan**, **Anwesha Bhattacharya**, and **Ishita Mukherji** (Advisor: Prof. **Prabir Patra**)

Third Place: **Tariq Abuzagheh**, "A Computer-Aided Method for the Cobb Angle Measurement" (Advisor: Prof. **Buket Barkana**)

Honorable Mentions: **Saman Pezeshki**, "Utilizing YouTube in Chiropractic Academia" (Advisor: Prof. **Chris Good**); **Manish Garg** and **Aditya Puri**, "An Empirical Study on the Relationship between Personal Financial Risk Attitude and Psychological Risk Attitude" (Advisor: Prof. **Ziping Wang**); **Vignesh Shanmuganathan**, "Reducing the Reflection of Light in Side View Mirrors at Night Using Electrochromism" (Advisors: Prof. **Jani Pallis**, Prof. **Prabir Patra**); **Sumaya Abusaleh** and **Varun Pande**, "Optimized Algorithm for Face Detection Integrating Different Illuminating Conditions" (Advisor: Prof. **Khaled Elleithy**)

### PRE-PHARMACY

**Arnold Hitoaliaj** has been accepted for Ph.D. study in Pharmacy at UConn beginning this fall. He is the first student to have completed his two years' pre-pharmacy study at UB as a participant in the UB-UConn Pharmacy partnership.

### SASD

**Yael Cohen** and **Richard Lubrano**, Industrial Design, have been named finalists in the IWF 2012 Design Emphasis competition, for their furniture designs. The winners will be announced at the design show in August.

## FACULTY & STAFF

### CHIROPRACTIC

**Stephen Perle**, professor of clinical sciences, has been appointed associate lecturer at the Institut Franco Euripéen de Chiropractique, Toulouse and Paris.

### ENGINEERING

**Neal Lewis**, associate professor of technology management, and lead author Ted Eschenbach, of the University of Alaska Anchorage, presented their paper, "When to Start Collecting Social Security: Designing a Case Study," at the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) national conference, June 10-13. The paper was co-authored by **Yiran Zhang**, M.S. '11, and received the Best Paper Award in two separate divisions of ASEE. The case study was class-tested in Prof. Lewis's "Engineering Economics" course during the spring 2012 semester.

**Gad J. Selig**, associate dean, business development, Division of Graduate Studies and Research, and director of the Technology Management Department, and **Elif Kongar**, assistant professor of technology management, have been awarded the IBM Faculty Award, in a competitive worldwide program fostering collaboration among researchers at leading universities. The award will be used to develop courses in the Center for Entrepreneurship, Intrapreneurship, and Innovation (CETI) at UB.

**Buket Barkana**, assistant professor of electrical engineering, and M.S. student **Tariq Abuzagheh** will deliver their paper, "Computer-Aided Technique for the Measurement of the Cobb Angle," at the Conference on Image Processing, Computer Vision, and Pattern Recognition, in Las Vegas, July 16-19.

## CALENDAR

Wednesday, July 4, Independence Day  
No classes, administrative offices closed

**Did we miss something?** *UB Highlights* is published twice monthly during the academic year and monthly in January, June, and July to inform the University community about UB events and achievements. To comment or to list your event or award, e-mail Rebecca Salonen, [UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu](mailto:UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu), or call x4988.